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SUBJECT: BELGIUM-LUXEMBOURG NEGOTIATING MARITIME AGREEMENT WITH
PRC

1. A DELEGATION LED BY A. DE VOGELAERE, DIRECTOR OF BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY'S OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION AFFAIRS, LEFT FOR PEKING ON MARCH 18 TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF A MARITIME AGREEMENT BETWEEN BLEU (BELGIUM-LUXEMBOURG ECONOMIC UNION) AND THE PRC. ACCORDING TO A BELGIAN MEMBER OF THE DELEGATION, THE AGREEMENT WILL BE SIMILAR TO ONE RECENTLY CONCLUDED WITH USSR. HE SAYS THE PRESENT AND PROJECTED LEVEL OF TRADE JUSTIFIES NEGOTIATION OF SUCH AN ACCORD BETWEEN BLEU AND PRC. IF NO HITCHES ARE ENCOUNTERED THE ACCORD WILL BE SIGNED BY BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTER VAN ELSLANDE WHEN HE VISITS PEKING LATER THIS SPRING (SEE BRUSSELS 902 AND 2223). IT THEN MUST BE CONSIDERED BY THE BELGIAN PARLIAMENT BEFORE IT CAN ENTER INTO FORCE.

2. ACCORDING TO ITEM IN LOCAL PRESS, THESE MARITIME NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY BILATERAL TALKS BETWEEN BELGIUM AND PRC TOWARD ESTABLISHING A CIVIL AVIATION AGREEMENT AS WELL.

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